

Headquarters
Capt. Affleck left Saturday for the Mayo Foundation, Rochester, Minn., to attend a 12 weeks school in general surgery and surgical specialties.

Captain Purse left for San Francisco Saturday in connection with Training activities.

Vivian McIntyre is back on the job Monday after being off two weeks with an appendectomy.

Reitha Nation of the Mimeograph department has been ill for a week.

Guards

Charles Schiefer left Friday morning for Portland for a weeks vacation. He will visit relatives while there.

Erma Garrison is able to be back to work this week after recovery from serious burns.

Personnel

Nadyne McKenzie is enjoying a two weeks vacation part of which she will spend in Portland visiting relatives and friends. She will also visit her parents in Adams.

Fiscal

Mrs. Zelma Culver is on leave due to the illness of her husband, Robert, a guard.

Payroll

Mrs. Hyla Kensler, formerly Hyla Moore, arrived Monday morning from Fort McClellan, Alabama. She has been assigned to Payroll. Mrs. Kensler was a former employee of Stock Control.

Utilities

The boys in the Machine Shop are on their toes again—now that the boss is back. Arnold looks none the worse for his trip. It must have been good for him.

Motor Transportation

Robert (Tiny) Hindman is in Portland receiving medical treatment.

Clarence Scott Jr. has resigned to go to school. He will attend Drury College in Springfield, Mo., and plans to major in electrical engineering.

West Area

Miss Shirley Juhnke is a new employee in the West Area office. Miss Juhnke is from Wasco.

Magazine Area

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Glasgow had as their guests over the week end Misses Elsie and Eloise Herold and Lee Johns, all from Baggs, Wyo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rice had as their guests over the week end Mr. Rice's parents from Portland. They attended the Round Up while they were here.

What's this Lt. McAllister supporting on his upper-lip? Another Clark Gable?

Alice Frosh and Sue Graves are in the post hospital recovering from tonsilectomies.

Miss June Myrick has been released from the U.O.D. hospital after spending two weeks there following an appendectomy.

Ordnance Flashes

A German prisoner captured in Italy just before the fall of Rome complained bitterly that for every one or two rounds fired by German artillery, U. S. Army Ordnance and Allied artillery replied with 100 to 200 rounds.

During one 2-month period, the U. S. 13th Air Force B-25 Mitchell medium bomber squadron in the South Pacific expended the following Army Ordnance ammunition: 2,000,000 pounds of bombs and explosives, 300,000 rounds of machine gun ammunition, and 1,000 cannon shells.

Medical Department

Sgt. McDaniels and Pvt. Leak spent Sunday fishing in Johnson Creek near Heppner. Both were lucky and caught some nice trout. Pvt. Leak says his fish were the biggest; don't know what Sgt. McDaniels has to say about that.

Utilities

S/Sgt. W. R. Weber, with the 2nd Marine Division, arrived at his father's home last Friday for a thirty day furlough after thirty-two months in the South Pacific. He reported that the worst pests on Saipan are flies. It appears that flies are encouraged by the sugar plantation owners for the purpose of eradicating some dangerous cane insects.

Box Factory

Jerry Rogers, recently from Buhl, Idaho, is a new employee. Emma Jaster spent Friday and Saturday of last week visiting relatives in Pendleton.

Robert Stroud, formerly a forklift operator, has transferred to the Box Factory.

Those ill this week are Will Snively, Tom Watkins and Chas. Rowland.

Part of Springsteen's crew has been working in the Box Factory this week.

Rail Transportation

George Morrison spent the week end in Spokane visiting his daughter.

Joyce Hendrickson is on the sick list this week.

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PAPER COLLECTION SET FOR WEST END TOWNS ON SEPT. 30

WAREHOUSE IS LOCATED HERE

Although plans have not been fully completed, it has been announced that there will be another drive in Echo, Stanfield, Hermiston and Umatilla on Saturday, September 30, with a central loading point at Hermiston, according to Kenneth Hickenbottom, of the Blue Mountain council, Boy Scouts. As in previous drives of this kind, the Boy Scouts will be instrumental in seeing that the work gets done.

According to Mr. Hickenbottom, and Mrs. Walter Hamm, salvage campaign chairman, a warehouse for paper storage has been arranged for at the fairgrounds under proper supervision. Farmers and other out-of-town contributors coming to Hermiston prior to September 30, are asked to bring the bundles of paper to the fairground from where it will be loaded by the Boy Scouts. Surrounding towns will bring truckloads of paper to Hermiston on September 30.

Although Mr. Hickenbottom did not state definite details of the collection in Hermiston, it is expected that residents will again bundle and box paper in bunches so that they can be easily handled and place them on the park strip September 30. Trucks will be arranged for to pick up the bundles. Definite instructions will be printed next week but residents should begin now to get bundles of paper ready for the pickup.

The War Department has issued a call for additional waste paper and the September 30 collection is in answer to that call.

SCHOOLS MARK OREGON TRAIL

Echo, Stanfield and Umatilla school re-dedicated the Old Oregon Trail by placing markers along the route followed by early Oregon pioneers at separate services during the past week. Echo celebrated the event last Thursday, Stanfield this Wednesday and Umatilla Tuesday.

The markers are quite appropriate and will tend to permanently mark the trail of the early settlers. The program was fostered by the state organization and the above schools cooperated in the movement.

Cyril Brownell and Mrs. Annie Edwards, early time settlers of Umatilla, were featured prominently in the Umatilla program.

DON ALSTOTT IS HOME ON LEAVE

Don Alstott, 3/c Water Tender, is spending a short leave here with his family and other relatives and friends. He has been in the service since March 28, and in that short time has been and seen many interesting places, including England and Italy. He proudly stated that his ship carried one "swastika" on her smokestack.

Don has been aboard the ship U.S.S. Shadwell, L.S.D., and has found time to fight himself to the championship in the 155 pound division of his boat. He is enthusiastic about Navy life and seems to be enjoying his stay in the service. Due to the illness of his mother his visit here may be extended a few days.

PHONE COMPANY TO CONTRIBUTE

N. R. Powley, president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, has announced that directors of the company have approved a contribution this year of \$85,000 to the National War Fund in addition to regular Community Chest contributions approximating \$50,000 annually, making the aggregate sum \$135,000, according to word received by A. M. Green, manager here.

Allocations of the National War Fund contribution, based on War Fund quotas, now are being computed for the counties of the five states in which the company operates, and the local contribution will be announced shortly, Mr. Green said.



When America receives the news that Germany has capitulated, we shall feel like celebrating. Well, let's do! But let us celebrate it in proper dignity and humility. Let us have a day of Thanksgiving for the victories gained and above all a day of determined re-dedication to the task yet before us.

Such a celebration is planned by your American Legion Post. Upon official confirmation of a German surrender, the city siren will blow three long blasts and one hour afterwards let us all—as organizations and as individuals, gather around the band and the flag at the head of Main street.

Signed: Commander, Hermiston Post No. 37, American Legion.

Proclamation

I. F. C. McKenzie, as Mayor of Hermiston, hereby endorse the program of re-dedication as outlined by Hermiston Post No. 37, American Legion, and hereby proclaim that all citizens of this area participate in the event. Be it understood, however, that this is not an occasion of hilarious celebration but rather a period of re-consecration for the huge task that still lies ahead.

Signed: Mayor F. C. McKenzie.

YOUTH ROUNDUP LOCATES GOODS

A roundup of youthful law violators this week by Chief of Police B. J. Nation located many stolen items of the past few weeks. Included in the loot was a 50-gallon gas drum (filled with gas) from the "Curly" Dallman ranch; a set of tires and wheels from the Al Shaw trailer, a set of tires from the Sam Nye trailer, a spotlight and tools stolen from Fred Wilkie of Umatilla, and numerous cans and various lengths of tubing.

Apparently the main objective in most instances was to obtain gas for transportation. Although no arrests have been made, the guilty parties have been apprehended and severe punishment will follow another outbreak. Chief of Police Nation uncovered a good majority of the stolen goods from under a hay stack near Hermiston.

TAP DANCING IS SCHEDULED

The U. S. O. staff has announced that tap dancing will begin next week under the instruction of Mrs. Max Piger. Classes for children will be held Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock and the adult class will be held Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock.

Everyone wishing to register for this dance instruction is asked to call the U.S.O., with phone number 2821.

WARNERS LEAVE THIS WEEK END

Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Warner and Patsy and Glen will leave Monday for The Dalles where Rev. Warner has accepted a pastorate. He will preach his last sermon here Sunday morning. The day has been designated as a combined "homecoming" and a farewell service for the Warners. The homecoming is an annual event and everyone who does not attend elsewhere is urged to attend Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock.

Rev. and Mrs. Warner and children were honored guests at a banquet given Friday evening at the Church of Christ. Ralph Saylor was toastmaster for the evening with several of the ladies rendering numbers on the program. The rooms and tables were beautifully decorated. Following the banquet, a program and candle light devotional was held in the main auditorium, led by Mrs. Smallwood.

Ray Hollomon at Klamath Falls

Ensign Ray Hollomon is still stationed at Klamath Falls and is undergoing flight training, according to his mother, Mrs. Preston Hollomon, who returned Sunday from Klamath Falls. She spent from Thursday until Sunday visiting Ray at his base. She reports that he is still immensely enthusiastic about flying and is anxious to get into active duty against the enemy.

Funeral Services Held Saturday Afternoon For Pioneer Echo Lady

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Anna Schmidt, a pioneer resident of this vicinity, who died at The Dalles hospital September 13. Rev. Cecil Warner of Hermiston had charge of the service and Miss Gertrude Tichener sang solos. Pall bearers were Dan Lindsay, Neil Melville, Sloan Thomson, Joe Middleton, Gaylord Madison and W. H. Crary. Mrs. Schmidt was born at Marquette, Mich., Sept. 28, 1874. She and her husband, Charley Schmidt came to the Sand Hollow country about 40 years ago where they farmed until 1935 when they moved to Echo. Mrs. Schmidt resided at Westlawn for seven years and for the past two years has been with her daughter, Mrs. Viola Duvall of The Dalles.

She is survived by her husband, Charley Schmidt of The Dalles; two sons, Arthur, who was home from the naval air station at Kingsville, Texas, and Frank of Alameda, Cal.; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Wigglesworth of Hood River, Mrs. George Legler of Monument and Mrs. Viola Duvall of The Dalles. A sister, Mrs. Bertha Tafel of The Dalles, and nine grandchildren also survive her. Because of illness Mr. Schmidt was

unable to make the trip to Echo for the funeral, and Mrs. Legler was unable to be present because her son underwent a major operation Friday.

Four Echo young men have been called to report for induction Thursday. They all passed their physical examinations last May. They are Kenneth Coppinger, Marshal Meyers, George Luciani and Clayton Norton.

Major William M. Marbut, former Echo physician, is now stationed at Anchorage, Alaska.

Mrs. Marian George left Sunday for a two weeks visit in Portland at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Don Parker. Miss Marian George and Miss Clara Cunha took Mrs. George to Portland and returned home Sunday night.

Mrs. George Mitchell and Mrs. W. H. Crary were visitors at the home of Mrs. N. D. Bard in Stanfield Monday.

Miss Louise Tolar, who has been convalescing at the Ordnance hospital after an operation for appendicitis, is now home but has not entered school yet.

Mrs. Sloan Thomson is reported to be ill with flu.

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NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMES TO UOD POST

Lt. Col. Harold S. Halsted reported to Umatilla Ordnance Depot Wednesday, September 13. He will replace Lt. Col. Hoffman as Executive Officer and will assume full duties today.

Col. Halsted transferred here from Fort Wayne, Detroit, Michigan, and comes with experience and training for his duties. He was Depot Operations Officer and Executive Officer at Fort Wayne for about seven months. Before that time he was Supply Officer and Executive Officer at Fort Crook, Nebraska, for over three years.

Col. Halsted is a native of Nebraska but more recently comes from Julesburg, Colorado, where he owned and operated a wheat ranch. He is interested in hunting and fishing and has already threatened to get his share of game this fall.

Mrs. Halsted and their six year old daughter are expected to arrive at UOD about the first of October.

USO GIRLS LOSE ALL BELONGINGS

Miss Mary Lou Johnson and Mrs. Jean Wilson of the U.S.O. staff are two of the saddest girls in Hermiston this week as a result of losing all of their personal belongings in a fire which destroyed a small house in which they were residing on the Mrs. Golda Myrick ranch east of Hermiston. Miss Johnson and Mrs. Wilson had just recently moved to the ranch and much of their clothing was still in boxes and luggage. They lost practically all their clothing except that which they were wearing.

Both were absent from home while sponsoring a program at Ordnance. A fire had been built in the afternoon and apparently an overheated flue caused the flames. Included in the loss was all Miss Johnson's colored film which has thrilled many people in this area.

TOM VANARSDALE PASSES AWAY

Tom VanArsdale, 71-year-old resident of Eagle Grove, Iowa, passed away last week in La Grande following a lingering illness. Mr. VanArsdale and a son were en route to Oregon from Iowa to visit relatives in Oregon, sons Dick of Hermiston, Paul of Baker and Roy of La Grande. He became seriously ill at La Grande and passed away prior to coming to Hermiston. Dick was called to La Grande by his illness and death.

The deceased was the father of six sons and two daughters. The body was shipped to Eagle Grove for burial.

RED CROSS UNIT PLANS SEWING

A big box of woolen scraps was gratefully received this week from Mrs. L. S. Burrell by the local Red Cross sewing unit. A group of 12 ladies worked on lap robes and ditty bags at the USO club this week and more are expected at next Tuesday's meeting.

The Rohrman Motor Co. is sponsoring a Red Cross sewing unit message on Page Six of this issue. Plans are underway for an extensive program and all ladies of this area are cordially invited to participate in the project.

BOB BENSEL IS LEAVE VISITOR

W. R. (Bob) Bensel, Signal 2nd Class, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bensel, arrived Saturday to spend a two weeks leave with relatives and friends here. Bob, who has been in the service about two years, came from Brooklyn, N. Y., where he is attached to the armed guard, aboard a Merchant Man or Transport.

His ship has made some interesting trips in the past year, including jaunts to Havana, Cuba, into the Caribbean Sea and other ports. Bob is a graduate of Umatilla high school.

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR RE-DEDICATION HOUR AFTER BIG NEWS

LEGION GIVES PLANS FOR DAY

Plans for an assemblage one hour after official confirmation of Germany's defeat are being completed here under the sponsorship of Hermiston Post No. 37, American Legion. Tentative plans are as follows: When official news has been received by Col. A. S. Buyers, commanding officer at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, confirming Germany's surrender, he will notify Legion officials in Hermiston.

Immediately there will be three long blasts of the city fire siren. Within one hour the high school band will assemble at the flagpole at the west end of Main street. This will be the signal for an assemblage of all residents in this area, including the various clubs, organizations and officials.

A parade will form and will march to the lawn at the front of the high school where a short program will be held. Included will be short addresses by clergy, U. S. Army officials, Legionnaires, Mayor F. C. McKenzie and possibly others. Group singing and music by the band will also be featured.

The above program should not be mistaken for an occasion of hilarity and fun-making but rather a period of re-dedication and re-consecration for the tasks that still lie ahead. Dr. F. B. Belt, local post commander, American Legion, states that the war is still far from over, even with Germany's capitulation. However, the occasion should be remembered with renewed vows for the future. The time to celebrate will be when Japan and Germany have both fully surrendered.

MRS. LEE GUEST OF LOCAL UNIT

Mrs. Dorothy McCullough Lee of Portland, Parliamentarian of the American Legion Auxiliary and adviser of Girls' State, was a guest at the meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Thursday evening, September 14. She gave a short talk which was much enjoyed by the members.

A business meeting followed at which time the members voted to give \$5.00 to the "Records for our Fighting Men" fund. They also voted to buy one \$50 and one \$25 war bond. Anna Castric, Hattie Hamm and Laura Kelley were elected as members of the executive committee for the coming year.

Plans were made for a membership "Get Acquainted Tea" to be given at the Legion hall September 30, from 2:30 to 4:30, for the eligible members from both World War I and II. Mrs. Anita Moore was appointed chairman and all past presidents of the Hermiston unit will serve as hostesses.

The local unit is making lap robes for the veterans of the Walla Walla hospital and is also assisting with the sewing for the Red Cross under the leadership of Mrs. Ethel Tiller.

Plans are in the making for the annual rummage sale, and everyone is asked to be sure and gather up all useable materials, and get in touch with Mrs. Ethel Tiller, chairman.

Mrs. Jeanette Saboe, president, urged all members to cooperate in the local paper drive, tin can, and fat salvage program. She also stressed the urgency of making a blood donation when near a donor center.

The next regular meeting will be held October 12.

LABOR LEADER VISITOR HERE

Charles R. Smith, organizer for the American Federation of Labor, was a visitor in Hermiston Tuesday as a guest of Roy White, local union leader. Mr. Smith is active in union affairs in Portland and was making a "swing" through eastern Oregon visiting the various locals.

Mr. White showed Mr. Smith about town and introduced him to various officials here.